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Tuesday, January 22, 1952

I talked to Jimmy Dunn on the telephone in Rome this morning. He has accepted the designation as Ambassador in Paris, and Mary and himself are coming up to stay with us this week end.

Doug MacArthur came to see me, and we went over with him [redacted] features of the European Army which require particular study by SHAPE.

E. and I lunched with Raoul Boyer and his wife in their little apartment on the rue de Rivoli. It was, as always there, [redacted] an extraordinary lunch, with the following menu:

Pâté de Canard en croûte

Quenelles de brochet Nantua

Pintade rôtie sur canapé

Salade

Les primeurs

Fromage

Mousse au chocolat

Fruits

WINES

Real Sort (Porto)
Chablis Crû Blanchot 1947
Clos du Maquisard 1947
Château Margaux 1921
Clos Vougeot 1929
Pol Roger brut 1942
Grande Fine 1906
Eau du Vie de Prune

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This afternoon David Schoenbrun came to see me. He is [redacted] exercised over the appointment of Bill Draper to replace Spofford, as well as to operate in Europe in other capacities. He says Draper stopped decartelization and denazification in Germany, put the former German industrialists who controlled the Ruhr back in power, is bitterly anti-French, etc. The same sort of charges have been frequent in the French newspapers in the last few days.

I went to the EDC steering committee meeting at the Quai d'Orsay this afternoon. De Staercke had returned from Brussels with authority to make considerable concessions from the former Belgian point of view. As a result, things look [redacted] promising, and a meeting of Foreign Ministers has been called to convene in Paris on this subject Saturday.

Tonight we went to the annual dinner for the

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Diplomatic Corps at the Elysée Palace. There were about two hundred people for dinner, and one thousand at the reception. It was a gay and attractive spectacle. I had many chats with various members of the French Government, as well as with numbers of my colleagues, and enjoyed myself thoroughly.

This afternoon, the Parliament voted overwhelmingly on the Tunisian affair and thereby confirmed Edgar Faure's choice of a cabinet. The parliament will recess on Friday night until the 5th of February, and will start shortly thereafter on the European Army debate. There has been considerable rioting and some bloodshed in Tunisia.

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